RESOLUTION FOR THE COUNTY OF MOORE TO ADOPT AN OUTREACH PLAN AND TO ESTABLISH A VERIFIABLE PERCENTAGE GOAL FOR PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY BUSINESSES/HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES IN THE AWARDING OF BUILDING CONTRACTS PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. 143-128.2

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted Session Law 2001-496, Senate Bill 914 to enhance and improve the good faith efforts to recruit and select minority businesses for participation in public building projects by adding N.C.G.S. 143-128.2 and Session Law 2007-392, Senate Bill 320 to develop and administer a statewide uniform certification program for historically underutilized businesses doing business with State departments, agencies, and institutions, and political subdivisions of the State; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 143-128.2 requires a local government unit or other public or private entity that receives State appropriations for a building project or other State grant funds for a building project, including a building project done by a private entity on a facility to be leased or purchased by the local government unit, where the project cost is one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or more, shall have a verifiable ten percent (10%) goal for participation by minority businesses in the total value of the work; provided, however, a local government unit may apply a different verifiable goal that was adopted prior to December 1, 2001, if the local government unit had and continues to have a sufficiently strong basis in evidence to justify the use of that goal. A verifiable percentage goal is also required for building projects costing \$300,000 or more where no state funds are involved; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 143-128.2(b) requires in part for a public entity to establish prior to solicitation of bids the good faith efforts that it will take to make it feasible for minority businesses to submit successful bids or proposals for the contracts of building projects. Public entities shall make good faith efforts as set forth in 143-128.2(e). Public entities shall require contractors to make good faith efforts pursuant to subsection (f) of this section. Each first-tier subcontractor on a construction management at risk project shall comply with the requirements applicable to contractors under this subsection; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 143-128.2(e)(1) requires a public entity, before awarding a contract to develop and implement a minority business participation outreach plan to identify minority businesses that can perform public building projects and to implement outreach efforts to encourage minority business participation in these projects to include education, recruitment, and interaction between minority businesses and nonminority businesses; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was duly published in The Pilot Newspaper on September 9, 2011 and the required public hearing was held on September 20, 2011.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Moore County Board of Commissioners

- 1. That the County of Moore shall have a ten percent (10%) verifiable percentage goal for participation by minority business in the total value of work for building projects awarded by the County of Moore pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-128.2.
- 2. That the County of Moore shall follow Moore County's Minority Business/Historically Underutilized Business Participation Outreach Plan and Guidelines.

3. That this resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED, this 20 day of September

Niek J. Picerno, Chairman

Moore County Board of Commissioners

Laura M. Williams
Clerk to the Board